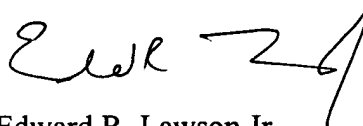


**REMARKS**

Previously, Claims 1-17 were pending in the application. Applicants have canceled Claims 1-17 without prejudice and have added new Claims 18-37. After entry of this Amendment, Claims 18-37 will be pending in the application.

Entry of the present Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation during normal business hours.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. R. Lawson Jr.', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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